

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 27, with the following

rewritten paragraph:

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Figure 6 is a perspective view of the components making the connection in the region of the lower chords, after ~~assembly~~, assembly; and

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line ²⁹39 of page

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--Fig. 7 is an illustration of a generic example of a crane without a masthead.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 18, line 11, with the following

rewritten paragraph:

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The assembly device described above can be used, in particular, for the demountable connection of the elements of a tower crane jib without a masthead and without a jib tie (see Fig. 7 for an example of a crane without a masthead). It also applies to the counterjibs of such cranes, inasmuch as these counterjibs possess a latticework structure. However, the invention is still also applicable to the jibs and counterjibs of tower cranes with a masthead and with ties, in particular with regard to the cantilevered part of the jibs of cranes with a masthead and with ties, for which part the upper chord or chords are subjected to tensile forces.

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